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WILL NOT HARRASS THE ADMINISTRATION

Chairman White Pledges Support of Democrats for Constructive Legislation

Chairman Geo. White pledged the democratic party to refrain from "obstructing and harassing" the Harding administration, which he declared had "by act" endorsed the policies of the Wilson regime. This policy, White believes, will meet the approval of the country.

"I am deeply gratified at the record which thus far has been made by our late political enemies, now the chiefs of the nation, in that they have by act endorsed the policies of preceding administration, which formerly they so bitterly assailed by word."

"To express this gratitude we renew our pledges to refrain from partisan machinations to harass and obstruct and reassert our purpose to aid in every proper effort for the nation's welfare. The minority in congress will help build constructive legislation, but will of course resist attempts to destroy good laws simply because they had democratic inception."

McCall—Titcomb

James H. McCall, Jr., left Wednesday afternoon for Nogales, Ariz., where he goes to serve as best man in the marriage of his brother, Lieut. Joseph Williams McCall, Jr., to Miss Georgia Titcomb. The wedding is to occur Wednesday evening April, 20, at eight o'clock, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Titcomb in Nogales. A number of invitations to the marriage have been received here, the groom being a son of Maj. and Mrs. J. H. McCall and was born and reared in Huntingdon. He enlisted in the army during the recent war, was promoted to the rank of first lieutenant, saw service in France, and is still a member of the army. He is a worthy young man with many excellent traits of character. The Democrat joins his many friends here in extending congratulations and best wishes.

HOTELS MUST POST RATES IN ROOMS

Cannot be Advanced Except Upon Written Notice to the State Hotel Inspector

Hotels in Tennessee are now required by law to post in a conspicuous place in each room a card or sign plainly stating the price per day of each room, and in case the hotel is conducted on the American plan, rate charged for meals. Such cards or signs shall be dated as of the day on which they are posted, and the rates charged shall not be advanced except upon written notice to the state hotel inspector, such change in rate to be effective in less than twenty days from the date of application therefor in writing. A fine of not less \$10 nor more than \$100 is the penalty for the violation of this law.

This bill was passed by the house of representatives with only one dissenting vote. It was passed by the senate Monday. The governor affixed his signature to the bill on Thursday, of last week and it is now a law of Tennessee.

In order to get a favorable report from the judiciary committee the traveling men agreed to eliminate one section of the bill which called for a special hotel inspector. The enforcement of this statute will be in the hands of D. J. Frazier, commissioner of food and drugs and hotel inspector, and he invites the co-operation of all traveling men in reporting any delinquencies among the hotels of the state.

Better Postal Service

Postmaster General Will Hays proposes to humanize the mail service.

"The Postoffice Department, Hays declares, has been run for years, so far as the human element is concerned, on principles that went out style long ago."

Hays says that he wants the personnel of the postoffice department to feel that their services are something more than to be paid for and then forgotten. He says

the postoffice business is the biggest business Uncle Sam conducts.

He wants, he says, each man of the 300,000 at work in the department to feel that he is actually a partner in the great enterprise. He says he hopes to make every man an enthusiastic aid. In short, he wants to "get close to the people," and to give service through the elimination of archaic and unintelligent methods.

"I want to get everybody interested," he says. "Wake up the service. Make friends all around. Get a big service partnership going. Then what will happen? The man, instead of chucking a letter on your doorstep, naturally and willingly and carefully put it in your letter box."

Patrons of the United States postoffice want good postal service. If "the big postmaster" can give it to them—they will be truly grateful, surely.

Scott on Committee

Representative Lon A. Scott has been assigned to two of the larger house committees, pension and war claims. Tennessee's representative on the rivers and harbors committee will be Representative Wynne Clouse of the Fourth district.

LEADERSHIP RESTS WITH MR. GARRETT

Tennessean Actually Chief of the Minority Forces in the New House

The action of the democratic caucus in selecting Finis J. Garrett as acting democratic leader means that the Tennessean will in fact be the man in the new congress upon whom the democrats will lean and who will be their leader.

Mr. Kitchin, who has not fully recovered from his illness, has been forbidden by his physician to participate in any strenuous sessions of the house or to engage in any work that would tax his strength.

Mr. Garrett was urged repeatedly to permit his name to be used as a candidate for the speakership of the house, but always refused. He remained loyal to Mr. Kitchin during the latter's illness, and the mantle which now falls upon him comes through the wishes of Mr. Kitchin himself.

Interesting Meeting

The Chamber of Commerce had a very interesting meeting Thursday night of last week. Mr. Medearis resigned as president and A. M. Lee was elected to take his place. A committee was appointed to look after having the roads leading into Huntingdon, especially the Lexington levee, worked. We understand the committee has already gotten busy and work will begin soon on the levee. Meetings will be held; monthly instead of weekly as before.

J. Renzie Johnson and daughter, Miss Nelle Glenn, Felix Teachout, James and Miss Frances Freeman motored to Paris last Thursday and returned Saturday.

LEGISLATURE TAKES FINAL ADJOURNMENT

Long Session and But Little Constructive Legislation Was Enacted

The regular session of the Sixty-second general assembly passed into history last Monday afternoon shortly after 5 o'clock. The last day of the session was spent in routine work, and the final passage of a few local bills, which had been overlooked in the crash of the closing days.

The effort to destroy the back tax system failed. The budget system for the state, a caucus measure, was killed in the house. Many other good bills also suffered defeat.

A bill introduced by Senator Overton and endorsed by the senate caucus to make it illegal for members of the legislature to hold other office during the terms for which they were elected passed the senate and was pigeon-holed by the house judiciary committee.

In the large number of bills enacted there must be some good legislation although there is no doubt some that cannot be defended.

It is claimed by some that the legislature leaves a record of extravagance and waste, of incompetence, of machine domination and of scandal.

Celebrates 82d Birthday

Mrs. Bruce Cooper, Miss Annie Lou Morris, and Mrs. Emily Carter spent Thursday of last week in McMoresville, with Mrs. J. H. Drummond mother of Mrs. Cooper, and sister of Mrs. Carter, the occasion being in honor of Mrs. Drummond's birthday, who was 82 years old that day.

Attends Teachers Meeting

Mrs. Neill Wright, member of the state board of education, spent the latter part of last week in Memphis attending the West Tennessee Teachers Association. While in Memphis she was the guest of Mr. Kincannon, president of the West Tennessee State Normal, and his wife.

PRESIDENT HARDING DELIVERS MESSAGE

Makes Many Recommendations in First Message Presented to Congress

President Harding presented to congress last Tuesday afternoon his first message. He delivered it in person to a joint session of the senate and house.

The president declares against existing league of nations, but favors some kind of an association of nations to promote peace. This is to be worked out later. He is for readjustment of taxes, emergency tariff, railway wage and rate relief, agencies for defense, economy in government, budget system and fair prices.

The president declared in favor of strengthening of laws governing federal aid in building good roads, and stated that the United States means to establish and maintain a great merchant marine. Upon the subject of agriculture the president had the following to say:

"The maintained retail costs in perishable foods cannot be justified. . . . reduced costs of basic of production has been recorded, but high cost of living has not yielded in like proportion . . . without the spirit of hostility or haste in accusation of profiteering some suitable inquiry by congress might speed the price readjustment to normal relationship, with helpfulness to both producer and consumer. A measuring rod of fair prices will satisfy the country and give us a business revival to end all depression and unemployment. The address was about 75,000 words in length, a large portion of which was devoted to the related subjects, of peace the league of nations and the country's foreign policy."

Died Suddenly

Charles E. Larde, a prominent citizen of McKenzie, was found dead in his garden last Monday afternoon at about 3:30 o'clock. Heart failure must have been the cause of the death. He left the dinner table after eating the noon meal and went into the garden. His wife, thinking he had gone on

to town, did not miss him. About 3:30 o'clock Mrs. Larde and Mrs. Lizzie Higgins, a neighbor, were in the yard talking and going into the garden discovered Mr. Larde lying on the ground dead. He was lying on his back and showed no signs of a struggle. He was subject to heart trouble, and it is supposed the attack came on him so suddenly that he was unable to reach the house or call for help.

Mr. Larde was a most excellent citizen, a successful business man and had a host of friends. He was about 53 years old, and is survived by his widow and two sons. The burial occurred at Mt. Olivet cemetery, after appropriate funeral and burial services.

Mrs. Adaline Mullins

Mrs. Adaline Mullins, of the Rhodes' Store community, six miles out on the Huntingdon and Clarksburg road, died very suddenly Saturday morning. She was found dead in bed, but had been dead only a short time. The deceased was 72 years old, a sister of Meek Smothers, and was well esteemed. The burial occurred Sunday at Palmer's Shelter burying ground.

JOHNSON BROTHERS NOT COMING BACK

Oil Well Abandoned Says Message From Field Manager to Neill Wright

Mr. Neill Wright, cashier of the Bank of Huntingdon and one of Huntingdon's numerous oil enthusiasts, received a message last Tuesday from Mr. Sark, who was in Bowling Green Ky., and had just had a conference with the Johnson Brothers.

The message stated that upon investigation they had found that the cost of securing an outfit suitable for the work here was so high that they had decided to abandon the field.

This, it seems, will put an end, for a while at least, to the oil development in this section.

The Johnson Brothers spent a great deal of time and much money in their effort to put down a test well. But no real test was made, as they only went down about 900 feet. It will, however, operate against other companies undertaking the job of making a thorough test. Oil prospectors are slow to go into abandoned fields.

Dahnke-Walker Assigns

The Dahnke-Walker Milling Company, operating a large corn and feed mill, and a flour mill at Union City, one of the largest concerns in West Tennessee, filed papers of assignment last Monday morning. Assets and liabilities will likely run into the hundreds of thousands. The failure effects at least two hundred and fifty people directly and almost the entire section individually. Inability to collect is said to be the cause of the failure.

WHEN THEY EVEN TRY TO DO RIGHT THING

Republicans in Power Will Receive Democratic Support Says Bainbridge Colby

Bainbridge Colby, former secretary of state, declared in an address at the Jefferson Club in New York, Saturday night, that the democratic party will support the republican party when the latter is "right" or even trying to be right.

"We are now the party of opposition," he said. "Our system of government proceeds upon the assumption that a party of conscientious opposition is hardly less essential, due to the working of our institutions, than a party of responsibility and initiative. I say 'conscientious opposition' because there is another type against which the democratic party must set its face. I refer to the opposition that is so debased by party rancor as not to deserve the dignified name of opposition. It is only faction. The spirit of faction is black. It wrecks little of the country's welfare."

"Therefore, we will support the party in power when it is right, or even when it is trying to be right. We will endeavor to sustain the men in it who are struggling for the right against difficulties and enemies within their own party."

"As the most ancient of all political parties in the United States, the democratic party on this anniversary day dedicated to its great founder, affirms and pledges anew its faith in his broad and tolerant principles of justice—justice between individuals, justice between nations."

"The great idea of an organized peace and league of justice is today even greater and more impressive than builders dreamed. One by one the shrewd evasions, the artful substitutes, the loud puffing and pompous alternatives crumble up under the test of actualities."

"The democratic party can afford to wait in patience and in confidence. The day is at hand when America will speak to her afflicted brethren throughout the world in the language of honor and justice, of generosity and unselfishness, of performance and fulfillment."

TEACHERS OF STATE ARE IN NASHVILLE

Distinguished Speakers to Discuss Matters of Interest to Our Schools

The annual meeting of the Tennessee State Teachers' Association is being held in Nashville, commencing yesterday and will continue through tomorrow.

It was expected that thousands of teachers would attend and arrangements were made to house that number at least. Boy Scouts are meeting the teachers as they arrive and escorting them to their lodgings, and much attention will be shown the visitors while in the city.

An elaborate program had been prepared, fully covering nearly all phases of school work, from the standpoint of teacher and pupil by the speakers and discussions that will be had.

After the general session section meetings are held at which the more technical points in connection with teaching are taken up and discussed from all angles. Several teachers from Carroll county are in attendance.

Trial Postponed

Arther Gardner and Raymond Horn, charged with stealing an automobile, who have been in prison here for some time and had a mistrial at last term of court, have been indicted by the Gibson county grand jury. They were taken to Trenton the latter part of last week. Sheriff Aden went down to Trenton last Monday to attend the trial, but the case was continued.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Morgan moved this week from E. A. Morgan home near the school building, which they had been occupying this winter during Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Morgan's stay in Florida, to their own home on East Paris street.

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